

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 740

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A RESOLUTION to honor and commend Bishop Kevin L. Adams, Sr., of Olivet Baptist Church.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this General Assembly should honor those individuals who have answered a divine call to the ministry and who have served with dedication, vigor, and enthusiasm to perform God's work for their congregations and their communities; and

WHEREAS, one such stalwart servant of the Lord is Bishop Kevin L. Adams, Sr., who has faithfully served as senior pastor of Olivet Baptist Church and was catechized and consecrated to the office of Bishop on December 12, 2015; and

WHEREAS, called to preach at the age of eight, Bishop Kevin Adams has preached the gospel for over forty years. Installed as pastor of Olivet Baptist Church in December 1991, he has seen his congregation grow from 300 total members to over 5,000 and counting; and

WHEREAS, sharing his Christian leadership, Bishop Adams has appeared on THE WORD Network and received numerous awards and accolades, including an honorary doctorate degree from Saint Thomas Christian College and his 2010 selection for inclusion on the Morehouse College Martin Luther King Jr. Board of Preachers; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Adams is the founder of the Kevin L. Adams Ministries Inc.; Heal the Land Conference and a founding member of the Servant Leadership Council of Pastors and Ministers of Chattanooga; and

WHEREAS, Bishop Adams's Christian stewardship derives much support from his wife, Lady Cynthia Adams, and their three loving children, Kevin Jr., Alexis, and Kayli; and

WHEREAS, throughout his estimable career as a religious leader and humble servant of God, Bishop Kevin Adams, Sr., has demonstrated the utmost compassion, ability, and integrity,

and he has earned the unbridled respect and admiration of the congregants at Olivet Baptist Church; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Bishop Kevin L. Adams, Sr., upon being elevated to the post of Bishop, applaud his meritorious service to his community, and offer our thanks for his stalwart commitment to performing God's work with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.